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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Response to Notification of Missing Requirements (1 page)** in the above-identified application.

[X] Also transmitted herewith are:

[] Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136

[X] Return receipt postcard

[X] Other: - Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements (2 pages)

- Copy of executed Declaration/Power of Attorney (2 pages)

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[] Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16

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[X] The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

[X] Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.

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Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements, dated March 2, 2007, a copy of which is enclosed, please find a copy of an executed Declaration/Power of Attorney form signed by the inventors (2 pages). Also submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$130.00 covering the declaration filing surcharge.

If any additional fees are deemed to be due at this time, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the same to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

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Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

Copy of the International Application filed on 05/15/2006

- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/15/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 05/15/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/15/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/15/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 05/15/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/15/2006

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- Priority Documents filed on 05/15/2006
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the

missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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